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Re:Docket #98N-1038

I am writing to oppose the removal of labeling of irradiated food. The proposed alternative terms such as "cold pasteurization" and "electronic pasteurization" are not acceptable to me. Irradiation is a process which I believe makes changes in food that are not obvious to the eye, and without a prominent label denoting irradiation we may purchase a food we otherwise would not.

I also believe that the irradiation label should be a permanent requirement to ensure that the public has a right to choose the kinds of food they wish to consume.

Respectfully yours,

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